[*English*]

Construction of Houses for P & T Employees in Aurangabad (Bihar)

2153. SHRI RAM NARESH SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any shortage of residential accommodation for employees of the Posts and Telecommunications in Aurangabad (Bihar);

(b) if so, whether the Government have any plan for construction of residential accommodation for the departmental staff in Aurangabad (Bihar);

(c) if so, the progress made so far; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir. There is a shortfall in the availability of residential accommodation at Aurangabad (Bihar).

(b) Postal Department is considering construction of more residential accommodation to meet additional demand In Telecom. Department 12 quarters (Type II—Six, Type III—Six) are planned for construction.

(c) Postal Department has taken up the case with the State Government for allotment of land. In Department of Telecommunications, drawings are under preparation.

(d) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Employees Working in Delhi Home Guards

2154. SHRI SHIV SHARAN VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of employees working in Delhi Home Guards;

(b) the facilities provided to those Home Guards;

(c) whether the Government have received any memorandum from those Home Guards recently; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Home Guards is an organisation which consists of volunteers and a nucleus of full time employees for command, control and training. The present raised strength of Home Guard Volunteers in Union Territory of Delhi is 9,920. The strength of full-time paid employees is 155.

(b) As far as Home Guard volunteers are concerned, the facilities provided to them include duty allowance of Rs. 32.85, per day when called out on duty, training allowances of Rs. 20.00, transportation allowance of Rs. 3.00 per head, per day and uniform washing allowance at the rate of Rs. 3.00 per week besides free supply of 2 sets of uniform. Full time employees are provided the same facilities as given to employees of Delhi Administration.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Question does not arise.

[*English*]

Periodicals of CWC

2155. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the names and print orders of periodicals published in various languages by the Central Water Commission;

(b) the annual expenditure incurred on such publications;

(c) the number of paid subscribers as on March 31, 1991; and